



IFW

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 7365**
Mari HARA et al. : Docket No. 2003-1035A
Serial No. 10/629,865 : Group Art Unit 1626
Filed July 30, 2003 : Examiner Rei Tsang Shiao

PROCESS FOR PRODUCING (3R,
5S)-(E)-7-[2-CYCLOPROPYL-4-(4-
FLUOROPHENYL)-QUINOLIN-3-YL]-3,5-
DIHYDROXYHEPT-6-ENIC ACID ESTERS

RESPONSE

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE
FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:


Responsive to the Office Action of March 29, 2004, constituting a requirement for restriction between (I) claims 1-10 and 15-20, (II) claims 11-13 and 21-24 and (III) claim 14, Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, the subject matter of claims 1-10 and 15-20. Additionally, with respect to the election of species requirement, Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, the compound in which R=Et. These elections are made while reserving Applicants' rights under 35 U.S.C. §121 to file a divisional application for the non-elected subject matter.

Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Mari HARA et al.

By:


Amy E. Rulliam
Registration No. 55,965
Agent for Applicants

MRD/AP/pth
Washington, D.C. 20006-1021
Telephone (202) 721-8200
Facsimile (202) 721-8250
April 29, 2004